





## CONGRESSIONAL VISIT

# Hancock bashes Clinton's economic plans, politicians

By JOHN HACKER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

More than 250 people packed Matthews Hall Auditorium Saturday to hear Congressman Mel Hancock (R-Mo.) discuss economics and a variety of other topics.

The gathering was one of two town meetings held last weekend by Hancock to discuss President Bill Clinton's economic proposals and the Republicans' counter-proposals.

Hancock said federal budgets are notoriously unreliable.

"They are nothing but projections and estimates," he said. "They almost never work out the way we want. Appropriations are what you want to watch because that is where we spend the money."

Hancock defended national defense spending and bashed those who "say we need a package of tax increases and spending cuts."

"We aren't taxed too little and we don't spend too much on defense," Hancock said. "We've been promised each time we've had a tax increase that it will cut the deficit,

but no matter what deal the president cuts, Congress continues to increase spending."

Hancock accused the Clinton administration of coming up with a new way of figuring family income.

"According to Clinton's way of figuring, a family making \$30,000 per year can end up making over \$100,000," he said. "The fact is that all of us will end up paying more taxes."

Hancock said Clinton's economic stimulus package would not deliver what was promised during the campaign.

"Clinton originally said his package would create 500,000 jobs," he said. "Now the plan will create only 200,000 jobs. Most of these are temporary jobs that are of little value to the economy."

When asked what alternatives the Republicans had presented, Hancock said, "We have not been given the opportunity by the Democrats to show our proposals. We have not been allowed to present any plan on the house floor."

Hancock demonstrated what he called the "2 percent solution."

"All federal spending will be lim-

ited to a growth of 2 percent," he said. "By slowing the rate of growth of federal spending and raising revenue with an increasing economy, it is projected that revenue will catch up with spending by 1998."

After discussing economics for about 45 minutes, Hancock took more than 30 questions from the audience.

The audience booed when he told about a phone call he received from someone telling him he should vote for homosexuals in the military in order to "really represent the people down here."

Hancock also answered questions about the value-added tax, the line-item veto, abortion, term limitations, and many other topics.

He also discussed the attitude of politicians in Washington.

"You've got to understand that there are socialists in this country who want to take it over," Hancock said. "The people in Washington are not worried about you, they are worried about themselves."

"There is more common sense in this room right now than there is in the entire United States Congress."

## MR. 'RIGHT'



CATHERINE ROSS/The Chart

Sen. Mel Hancock (R-Mo.) spoke to a group of local residents Saturday, during the a town meeting in Matthews Hall auditorium. He discussed President Bill Clinton's economic package.

## SOUTHERN PLUS

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By LEASA WEBB  
STAFF WRITER

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# HAS SPRING ARRIVED?



T. ROB BROWN/The Chart

Al Woods, gardener, prepares the ground for the rose garden in the campus oval near Billingsly Student Center early yesterday.

## STUDENT SENATE

# Inconsistencies found in constitution

By JOHN HACKER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Inconsistencies in the Student Senate constitution dominated discussion at yesterday's regular meeting.

Senior Senator Paul Hood reported that a committee had looked over the entire constitution and found a number of discrepancies.

"We tried to find places where the constitution contradicted what we are doing now," Hood told the Senators.

A number of problem areas were

found.

Hood said the constitution stipulates that no election can be held on a Monday or the day after a holiday.

"That directly conflicts with our next election, which will be on a Monday and a Tuesday," he said.

Another discrepancy in the bylaws says a three-fourths vote is required to suspend the rules of procedure.

In recent meetings, however, senate has used Roberts Rules of Order, which states a two thirds majority is required to suspend the

rules, Hood said.

Dr. Glenn Dolence, vice president for student services, told the Senate not all the changes can be made this late in the semester.

"Any changes in the constitution require a vote of the students, but changes in the bylaws can be made by this body," Dolence said. "Constitutional changes must be posted for the student body 10 days prior to the election."

In other business, first readings were held on appropriations requests from Koinonia and Zeta Tau Alpha.

Koinonia requested \$1,000 for a trip to Saltillo, Mexico from May 24 to June 1. The group hopes to benefit from the international experience.

Zeta Tau Alpha requested \$473 to send two people to a conference in Arlington Heights, Ill.

Senate President Larry Seneker told the group that \$3,545.77 remained in the treasury after last week's meeting.

Senators also voted on the Senator of the Year. The winner of the award will be announced at the Senate picnic.

## CAMPUS SAFETY

# Smoke from pottery class fills Webster

Classes dismiss early last night due to scare

By KAYLEA HUTSON  
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Several classes in the Social Science department ended abruptly last night.

The classes, which were being held on the second floor of the Webster Communications and

Social Science Building, were dismissed after the building began to fill with smoke.

The smoke was generated from a beginning and advanced pottery class in the Fine Arts Building.

"We were doing the ancient art of Japanese Raku, which we do every Wednesday night," said Jon

Fowler, associate professor of art. "This entails taking pots out of a hot kiln and immersing them in combustible materials such as sawdust and leaves."

"This accentuates the spontaneous occurrence of color, which is difficult to obtain otherwise."

Mike Fox, mechanical and maintenance engineer, said wind brought the smoke into the building.

"The smoke came off of the Raku, and was drawn into the building by the wind," Fox said. "It was picked up by the air conditioning and heating vents of the building."

Among the classes let out early because of the smoke was the Government 120 class taught by Annetta St. Clair, associate professor of political science.

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FOREIGN AID

G7 to study plans for using funding Russia in need of countries' monies for stabilizing, strengthening ruble

THE ECONOMIST

Between his summit in Vancouver with Bill Clinton and a meeting of the Group of Seven big industrial countries in Tokyo on April 14-15, Boris Yeltsin needs to show how Russia would use the foreign aid it has requested and what measures it would take to make that aid work. He then has to win the referendum on April 25 so that he can implement the promised measures.

The biggest short-term problem could ease in the low value of the ruble. Whereas \$1 bought 180 rubles at the beginning of 1992, it fetches nearly 800 today. At that rate, the dollar value of all 147 million Russians' economic output is only slightly more than that of Singapore, which has a population of three million. This is a reminder that, in terms of the size of the economy to be aided, Russia is not an Everest. It is also a reminder that the current ruble rate, which values average industrial earnings at \$30 a month, is too low. Even Russian workers are worth more than that.

The collapse of the ruble means Russia can no longer afford to import what it needs. Last year's imports were two-fifths of 1990's. Since domestic industry and agriculture are able to produce enough basic goods, living standards suffer.

Two changes are needed if the ruble is to strengthen. One would be the creation of a ruble-stabilization fund by the rich world: Boris Fedorov, Russia's finance minister, estimates this would need to be \$6 billion.

The other change would be tougher. The government has to

slash the subsidized credits being issued by the central bank. During 1992, Russia's central bank printed money equal to 40 percent of GDP. Around six percent of GDP was used to finance the government's budget deficit; 24 percent went to state-owned enterprises; and 10 percent went to the other republics of the former Soviet Union. Fedorov says he will reduce Russia's monthly rate of inflation from more than 20 percent a month now to less than 5 percent by Christmas, which implies a relentless credit squeeze.

State-owned enterprises will suffer most from this. Firms that make nothing useful deserve no finance. The pain this would cause could be tolerated only if privatized companies could be tolerated only if privatized companies could survive and even grow. If they could, they would absorb some of unemployment from bankruptcies. But "without finance for new developments, there will be an economic and political catastrophe," warns Richard Layard, a British economist advising the Russian government.

One way to avoid this would be a foreign-financed enterprise fund. Any privatized Russian company could get to one of 10-15 local offices of this fund to apply for a loan to finance investment or imports. Each applicant would have to fill in a standard form, outlining its business plan. Loans would be auctioned off if demand from applicants exceeded supply of cash. Unlike most existing schemes, such a fund would work from the bottom up and be driven by profit. With, say, \$4 billion a year to invest

LURIE'S WORLD



could give a big boost to reform.

The collapse of the ruble means a few dollars go a long way in Russia. But will the aid ever get through? Clinton promised in Vancouver that, "Just as we mobilized the world on behalf of war in the Gulf, we must now mobilize the world on behalf of peace and reforms in Russia." The first stage of this mobilization will take place at the G7 meeting in Tokyo this week. Then comes a G7 summit to be held in Tokyo in July, to which Yeltsin will be invited to observe.

The problem facing the G7 is not the amount of money its members will have to cough up. Large though that is—up to an estimated \$30 billion this year—the G7 recognized that, if Russian policies are right, money will be found. After the Vancouver summit, Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany weighed in on Yeltsin's behalf by issuing a warning to the G7 that unless his reforms were supported, they would fail—with disastrous consequences.

"There it goes again!"

The problem lies in the policies, and in the timing of aid. For stabilization to have a chance, foreign financing must start flowing at the beginning of the credit squeeze, not in the middle of it. This will cause problems for the IMF, whose rules require specified targets to have been met before it hands over money.

For its part, Russia, in the shape of Fedorov, must take action as once: the country is on the brink of hyperinflation. Fedorov faces three enemies. The first is the parliament, which has amended the proposed 1993 budget 117 times this year. If all these amendments are implemented, the budget deficit could end up at \$10 trillion rubles this year, said Alexander Pochinok, the head of parliament's budget committee. Last year, the country's entire GNP was around \$5 billion rubles.

The second enemy is parliament's creature, the central bank. In March, Fedorov accused "the central-bank leadership of systematically sabo-

taging" government decisions.

The third enemy lies within the government. Last month the cabinet asked the central bank to issue 1.3 trillion rubles in subsidized credits, mostly for agriculture and Russia's far north. That was an example of the central bank being used to satisfy the government's own love of deficit spending.

Fedorov depends on the support of Yeltsin to defeat these three enemies. In Vancouver, Yeltsin dropped a hint that his zeal for further radical reform may not be total. "Russia," he said, "tends to run out of breath from time to time and we need a breather." Between now and April 25 Yeltsin will turn super-populist. Then, if he wins the referendum, he may take the breather. Not a good sign.

But if he loses, it will be much worse. Clinton has no doubts about the consequences. His final words to Yeltsin in Vancouver, after the two had beer-fogged, were: "You must win."

BIRD POPULATION

Chemical limits make difference

By TIMOTHY LANGE  
EARTH MATTERS

Laws controlling the use of DDT and other pesticides seem to be having an effect in the British Isles.

Sparrowhawks, kestrels, and herons are returning to the area for the first time in decades as environmental concentrations of the highly persistent poisons begin to fall.

Following World War II, as agriculture became more intensive, farmers began to use a new generation of chemicals, a spin-off of wartime research in various fields. From the 1950s to the 1970s, the pesticides accumulated in the soil. Three of them—DDT, dieldrin, and aldrin—are soluble in fatty tissue. They collected in the bodies of long-lived birds of prey at the top of the food chain.

Many feathered predators died from poisoning. But DDT caused birds to lay paper-thin eggshells that broke during incubation. The sparrowhawk, for instance, nearly disappeared in the 1960s.

Between 1963 and 1986, the three pesticides were banned. Researcher Ian Wylie at the Institute of Terrestrial Ecology at Monks Wood in Cambridgeshire said: "The level of pesticides we have found in birds has been declining each year. As a consequence, the population of these birds has increased."

But all is not well. Another predator, the merlin, shows no signs of recovery. Wylie said this may be because PCBs, which are lethal to the birds, are not easily broken down and are still leaking from industrial sites.

BOSNIA

No end of fights, civil war in sight

THE ECONOMIST

A civil war in Bosnia enters its second year, the outside powers seem more than ever at a loss about how to bring it to an end. Yet decisions are looming that outsiders will find hard to avoid.

On April 3 the parliament of the Bosnian Serbs unanimously rejected the map that is the heart of the United Nations peace plan drawn up by Cyrus Vance and Lord Owen. An offer by Bosnia's Serbs to hold face-to-face talks with their Muslim opponents instead was rejected by Bosnia's president, Alija Izetbegovic. He refuses to negotiate directly with men he considers to be war criminals.

The Muslims and Croats have accepted the plan, leaving the Bosnian Serbs as the odd-men-out. The world has therefore begun to consider tougher sanctions against their protector, Serbia.

European governments acting through the Western European Union, a common defense organization, agreed on April 5 to lighten the patrols on the Danube that monitor the UN trade embargo of Serbia and Montenegro. They will send 10 patrol boats with 250-300 crew—including Germans—to bolster the Hungarian, Romanian, and Bulgarian river police.

At the United Nations, talks are underway to tighten trade restrictions that are already tight,



perhaps by freezing Serbian assets abroad. However, the Russians and Americans, for different reasons, are not keen on immediate action. The Russians have wanted to offer Serbia the prospect of lifting sanctions in return for helping end the war.

The Americans are pondering something more complicated. They think harsher measures are needed to put pressure on Bosnia's Serbs to accept the peace plan. Yet they themselves have growing doubts about whether the plan is just or durable. Warren Christopher, the American secretary of state, has asked repeatedly whether the world might not soon have to exempt Bosnian government from the UN arms embargo on the states of former Yugoslavia. He says it would level the playing field. The British oppose

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GLOBAL VIEWS

Bosnia needs U.S. military intervention

Ethnic cleansing, results of war need more than U.N. forces, no-fly zones

By KEN DELAUGHDER  
SENIOR COMMUNICATIONS MAJOR

Children shudder in the darkness of a basement as artillery methodically destroys their homes. Women tell horror stories of camps where they are raped by the thousands. Young and old slowly starve to death in the shadows of cities turned to rubble. These are the images of Bosnia, 1993. Yet they could just as easily be the images of Poland, 1939, and again the world just watches, refusing to take definitive action.

For over a year, the world has looked and scratched its head, while the slaughter continues. The establishment of a no-fly zone this week over the former Yugoslav republic is a positive step, but such a plan by itself refuses to acknowledge that the war is primarily a ground conflict where Serbian artillery rules the battlefield.

Current peace initiatives are also failing. The recent Vance-Owen plan won't maintain the territorial integrity of Bosnia as a nation and consequently will not end the fighting. The Serbian history in the past year has been to use peace plans if they support Serbian military and political calculations, and break the cease fires when they don't.

And why not? Every step of the way, the Serbs have called the world community's bluff, and won every hand. If this were Saddam Hussein, would the United States stand idly by? Apparently appeasement doesn't pay in the Gulf, but it is the way we've chosen to do busi-

ness in the Balkans.

The only solution, then, is to step up the current military involvement and demonstrate that the world will not tolerate ethnic cleansing in any form. This will not only stop the current killing in Bosnia, but make other warlords, in the former USSR for example, think twice before acting.

The American military, however, is bogged down in Vietnam syndrome and uses the word quagmire as if it were some new secret weapon the Serbs invented. These are the same generals that made a cruise missile turn left at stoplights in downtown Baghdad, now telling the public that our multi-million dollar smart weapons could not take out Serbian artillery.

The low military quality of the Serbian military is now established. Their tactics rely on artillery, used to siege Muslim villages. A series of quick raids, utilizing NATO airpower or airmobile troops, aimed at inflicting casualties and destroying guns, would stop the killing and enable the Muslims to do a more effective job of defending themselves. It

would also send a strong message to Belgrade of Western resolve to end the conflict and prevent the genocide of the Bosnian people.

For this reason, the United States and its NATO allies must begin to fulfill their purpose of European security and supplant the largely ineffective UN peacekeeping forces. UN forces are intended to escort convoys of supplies, and serve as buffer forces. These troops are wholly inadequate to carry out the task of intervention. Expanding the mandate of these troops would not only be ineffective, but endanger the perceived neutrality of UN

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— Ken DeLaughter

forces now and in the future.

The conflict is in the NATO sphere of influence and would entail missions more suited to that organization's expertise. NATO troops have trained together for nearly 40 years. They would not encounter large scale difficulties and delays in deployment that a UN force would. Britain and France, for example, already have thousands of troops attached to the UN Protection Force in Bosnia. Air power could come from current NATO forces in place to enforce the no-fly zone.

Western European nations whose troops would be sent are virtually unanimous in their support for further action. A poll in France early

this spring showed that two-thirds of all people want further intervention, and are willing to send their sons and daughters to die if necessary. Many, however, are sensitive to the American position and are waiting for the Clinton Administration to take the lead.

America waged the Cold War so that the world would never again know the horror of world-wide conflict. It appears that we are now so comfortable in that victory that we are neglecting our obligations as the world's last remaining superpower. We have a moral responsibility not to stand back a second time this century while a people stands on the brink of genocide.

While our generals talk of quagmires, and our diplomats negotiate one cease fire after another, more families are killed, more children starve, more women are raped, and the war goes on. NATO intervention would be quick and effective, saving lives and preventing this tragedy.

Intervention certainly carries a cost, possibly in lives, certainly in dollars. Yet in the end, it will be less costly than continuing with the current policy, make the conflict more bearable, but doing too little to stop it; enough to raise hopes, but too little to satisfy them; enough to delay the spread of the conflict, but too little to prevent it.

If this conflict is not stopped, it has the potential to drag in regional powers like Turkey and Greece, sparking a wider Balkan war that could very well escalate into large-scale regional conflict. NATO must come to the aid of the Bosnian Muslims. Their future as a nation, and our future as a world at peace, may very well depend on it.

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advocates for a duplicative and less efficient public sector because we cannot seem to break down the barriers that sometimes separate us.

During the years that I have been associated with the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce, I have never once heard a responsible party indicate that they in any way wished to subvert the autonomy of any of our neighbors. All of us realize, for instance, that

Joplin cannot match the historical and political heritage of Carthage, or the physical beauty of the setting of Neosho. Webb City has its own unique identity which we respect, just as we respect the situation of all of our neighbors. Not one among us would be so short sighted as to not rejoice if any community in our area recruited a new employer or industrial prospect, or in some other fashion enhanced their local economy.

Surely, we all realize that our neighbor's good fortune is certainly our own as well, and that things which adversely effect nearby communities work to our mutual detriment.

The Vision Joplin project has already begun the formal process of seeking greater regional cooperation, and has thus far enjoyed some measure of success. Beyond these formal efforts, however, it seems that we individually bear

responsibility to reach out to our neighbors in any way that we can. In our everyday contacts with the people of the area, we must reassure them that we only seek cooperation as equal partners, and that domination is never a part of our agenda. It has been a tradition in our organization that we work always for the community good, not caring who receives the credit. So it must be in our relationships with our friends in the area. We

must be willing, as I know we are, to give accolades to others and to bear more than our share of the responsibility.

Finally, we must hold our local officials to the same high standards we demand from those who serve us at the state and national levels. We must help them to grow beyond parochial interests, and work always for the good of the entire area. They must know that we will support them in

advancing the concept of regional cooperation.

For us to do anything less is to risk falling behind in the competition for economic development and an improved standard of living for our people.

We would do well to remember Franklin's advice, for it is as prophetic for us as it was for those gathered in Philadelphia so long ago.



## CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR



### Today 22

9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. — **SUMMER / FALL PRE-ENROLLMENT BEGINS FOR 1-29 HOURS.**  
9 p.m. — **WESLEY FOUNDATION, Bible Study,** Newman Road United Methodist Church.

### Tomorrow 23

8:00 a.m. — **SPECIAL OLYMPICS.** Stadium.  
1 p.m. — **MIDWEST POLITICAL SCIENCE RESEARCH CONFERENCE,** Webster Hall  
Communications and Social Science Building.  
5:00 p.m. — **DEADLINE FOR STUDENT SENATE EXECUTIVE OFFICER PETITIONS.** BSC 211.

### Saturday 24

All day — **MIDWEST POLITICAL SCIENCE RESEARCH CONFERENCE,** Webster Building.  
7:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. — **SWMO NOW RUMMAGE SALE** at 117 Patterson.  
1:30 p.m. — **DR. CAROLYN DORSEY, "The Second Mrs. Booker T. Washington,"** Matthew's Auditorium.

### Sunday 25

7 p.m. — **WESLEY FOUNDATION, Newman Road United Methodist Church.**

### Monday 26

**SUMMER / FALL PRE-ENROLLMENT FOR PREVIOUSLY ENROLLED STUDENTS THRU MAY 12.**  
10:00 A.M. — **JOLINE GODFREY, "Women as Entrepreneurs,"** Matthews Auditorium.  
7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., **CAB MOVIE: Under Siege,** Second Floor Lounge, Billingsly Student Center.

### Tuesday 27

All Day — **TRANSFER STUDENT ENROLLMENT,** for fall semester.  
3:00 p.m. — **PRACTICE FOR HONORS CONVOCATION,** Taylor Performing Arts Center.

### Wednesday 28

**NO PRE-ENROLLMENT.**  
11:00 a.m. — **HONORS CONVOCATION, TPAC.**  
3 p.m. — **FACULTY SABBATICAL Workshop,** BSC Room 310.  
5:30 p.m. **STUDENT SENATE, House of Lords,** BSC.

#### ► CHINESE CULTURE STUDY

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By KEVIN MCCLINTOCK  
STAFF WRITER

Leaving behind the Ozarks on an all expenses-paid trip to Hawaii was an offer Dr. Conrad Gubera, professor of sociology, simply could not refuse.

Selected from among 20 professors from the United States, Gubera will spend more than a month at the University of Hawaii, studying the different aspects of the Chinese culture.

The program, sponsored by the East-West Center at the university, helps bring together professors and instructors from the United States with those from the Far East, hoping to bridge the two cultures.

"The whole purpose of competing for this job is to develop a model which we would be able to bring back to the local campuses and incorporate it into our classes," Gubera said. "For Missouri Southern, this is extremely important since it works well with the College's international mission."

As can be expected, competition for the trip was fierce. As it turned out, the support received from col-

leagues tipped the scales in Gubera's favor.

"I got the honors partly because of my credentials, but I also got some outstanding help from within my department, namely Dr. [Judith] Conboy and Dr. [David] Tate," Gubera said.

"They wrote up some great letters of recommendation. I think it was because of our joint efforts and our solidarity that I was picked over the others."

After his work at the University of Hawaii is completed, Gubera will participate in the program's second phase in 1994: an eight-week, 2,500-mile odyssey across China. There, he will be able to see first-hand the issues he studied in Hawaii.

"From the Ozarks to China—wow!" Gubera said. "I'm excited to meet the people because they're extremely warm with a rich legacy; at least the mainland Asians are. I temper my remarks on Japan because they're such an anal-retentive people. But the Chinese are more warmer, more folksy."

Southeast Asia is changing quickly. It is not the place of extended families and rice paddies, as we have come to associate the area with. Now, they have paved highways, a booming construction industry, and hydroelectric power.

This area will be a huge enterprise in the 21st century."

Meeting the Chinese people and sight-seeing are high on Gubera's list. He would especially like to be there for a unique occasion.

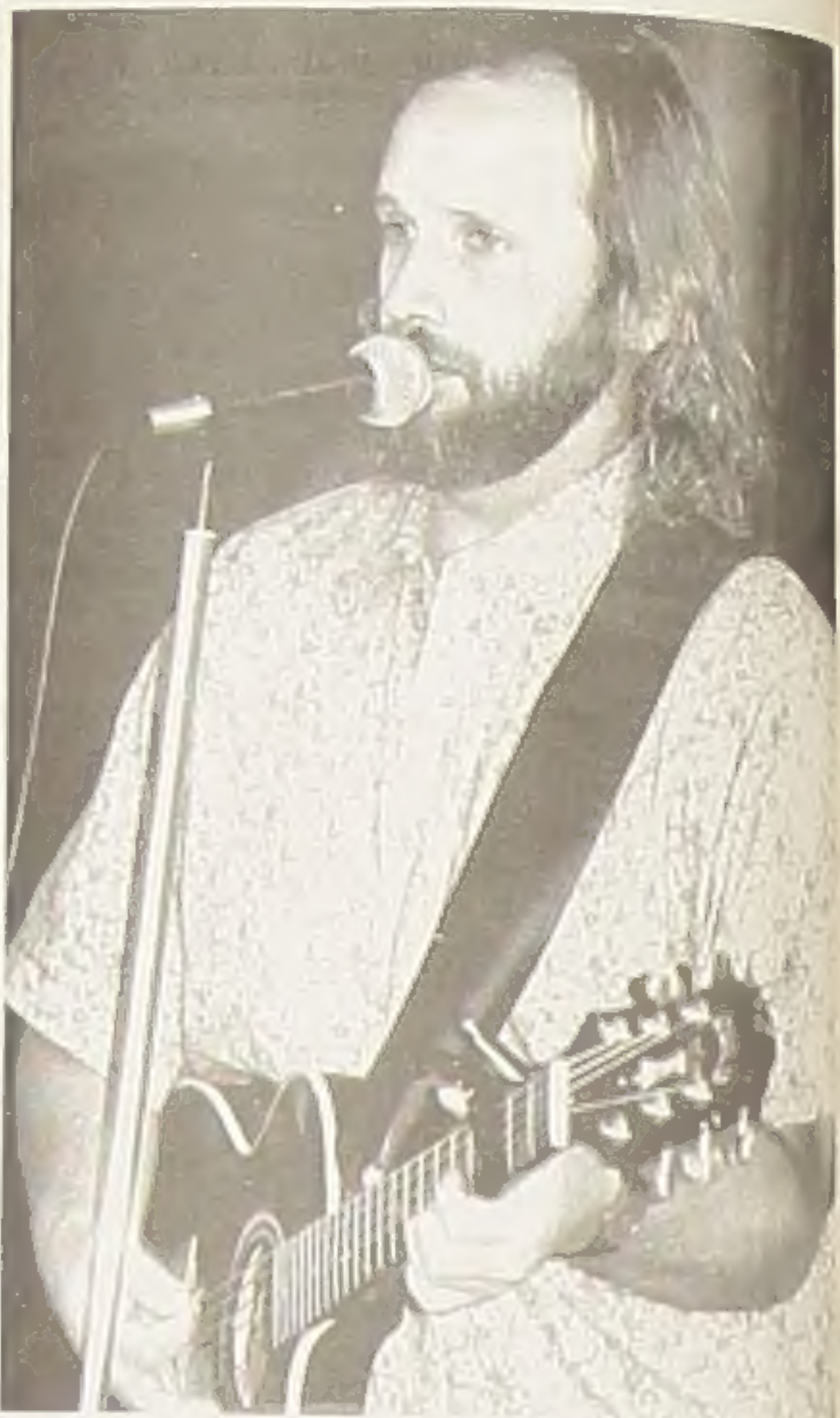
"We'll be in China during the third anniversary of the Tiananmen Square massacre, so that will be fascinating," Gubera said. "The Chinese are more Communist in name than in methodology, and many subtle changes are occurring there, with the likes to freedom and self-expression. It takes something like the massacre, though, to remember that China is still a Communist country."

Gubera is not a stranger to international travel. With the aid of programs like the University of Hawaii's, he has visited Europe, Jordan, Syria, Japan, and a particularly frightening trip to the Gaza Strip. Yet the excitement of seeing foreign countries has not diminished.

"I'm really looking forward to the whole thing," Gubera said. "I've never been to Hawaii, so that in itself will be a unique experience, and visiting Southeast Asia for the second time will be a great pleasure."

"I've been really fortunate to have been involved in these programs."

#### MUSICAL COMEDY



T. ROB BROWN The Chart

Kier, musical comedian, performed Friday in the Lions' den during the Spring Fling. Around 3500 students attended the picnic.

#### ► INTERNATIONAL MISSION

## Beck: German internship 'definite challenge'

By KAYLEA HUTSON  
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Through her internship, one Missouri Southern student is receiving international business experience prior to graduation.

Raina Beck, a junior economics and finance major, is currently working in Schweinfurt, Germany, with FAG Bearings Corporation.

FAG Bearings Corporation has offices in Joplin, but is based in Schweinfurt.

Beck began her internship on Jan. 11, and will return to Missouri on May 23.

"It is going pretty good," Beck said. "It has been difficult at times and good at other times."

"It has been a definite challenge, because you never know what you are going to encounter."

During the first two months of her internship, Beck worked in the

North American Sales Group.

While in that position she worked with buyers from Canada and the United States.

After she finished working in that division, Beck began to move among the other divisions of FAG.

She worked in the market research division.

"I found that incredibly interesting," Beck said. "It was a complete analysis of world-wide competitors."

She has also worked in the production halls.

She said this was a look at the intensive work of what FAG is all about: the production of the bearings.

She also has worked in three separate areas of the accounting office, the calculation of ground-work, cost accounting group, and the planning and success control, which has to do with the profit and

loss of the company.

Beck said she has three areas left in which she will work before returning to the states.

She will work in the computer systems office, purchasing, and financial bookkeeping.

The education she received while at Southern has been helpful during the internship.

"A lot of things that I have learned have helped me considerably," Beck said.

"But a lot of things I learned here could not have been learned in a classroom. This has afforded me a chance to work in the international business community."

She said the business computer classes offered at Southern prepared her well since "in certain departments you run into data entry systems and PC work all of the time."

It has given me a lot of things the

classroom could not have," Beck said.

She said the cultural differences between the United States and Germany caused a few problems in the beginning, but are now working out.

"It has been difficult and trying at times because of the language," Beck said. "English is basically the language of international business."

She said her language skills in German have been improving because of first-hand experiences.

Beck does not know if the program will continue after she completes her stay in May.

She said FAG is undergoing problems internally, due to a restructuring of the company.

Beck said Schweinfurt is "completely different" from Joplin.

"It is an old-world style of (town)," she said. "It is a smaller,

industrial town, with a market in the downtown area."

"Everybody is very old-fashioned. It is a wonderful change from what we are used to with the fast-paced life in the United States."

Beck said if she becomes homesick for an American influence, she needs only to step across the street to the American Army base, or go out her back door to McDonald's.

Beck said her sightseeing has been limited to small trips to local areas on the weekend.

However, her FAG internship coordinator is working to arrange a weekend trip to Paris before she returns to the states.

"My language skills have improved," Beck said. "I have also made friends through work that will keep for many years after I leave."

#### ► RESIDENT HALLS

## 1993-94 staff assistants chosen

By CHRISTY MYERS  
STAFF WRITER

Staff assistants for Missouri Southern's residence halls have been selected for the 1993-94 academic year.

"The references in the applications for the positions had to be campus personnel," said Deb Gipson, residence hall director.

"After the applications are sent in, the applicants go through an interview process."

Different members of the College staff judge the applicants and their capability.

New members assume a regular

staff position which includes being on duty and being responsible for their wing of building.

"The staff training will be this fall and will last one week," Gipson said. "The training will start one week before residences start to move in."

The training involves a great deal of time spent in different situations and role playing.

"A lot of people from campus come in and talk to the new members about security, maintenance, interpersonal communication issues, and student services," Gipson said.

Some of the future projects

planned include recycling projects by South Hall and a coed sand volleyball tournament that will be held next week.

New members selected for the fall semester include: Amber Benedict, Kristin Miles, Elizabeth Lovland, Jana Banley, Sean Barrett, Troy Jensen, and Jeff Daniel.

Returning members for the fall semester include: Mandy Gillet, Audra Adair, Stacy Brown, Doug Martin, David Stretch, Larry Seneker, Trace Maxwell, James Baldwin, Troy McCubbin, Jack Nikolic, and Joe Swingle.

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## Spiva Art Center

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## JOPLIN

## The Bypass

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Tomorrow — Missionaries.

Saturday — Comedy Night.

## Boomers

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Saturday — Suave Octopus with guest.

## Maxi's

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April 29 — The Forester Sisters.

## Memorial Hall

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## Hammons Hall

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Sunday — Dennis Miller.

May 10 — David Copperfield.

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May 31 — Paul McCartney.

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Tomorrow — Helmet, the Jesus

Lizard and Therapy?

May 5 — Belly.

May 12 — Shawn Colvin.

## Busch Stadium

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April 29 — Paul McCartney.

## American Theatre

(314) 291-7600

Wednesday — Living Colour with

Bad Brains.

## Fox Theatre

(314) 534-1678

April 30 — Anne Murray.

## ▶ DEBATE

Do homosexuals  
belong in military?  
'Timely, controversial' issue  
to be topic of public session

By HONEY SCOTT  
STAFF WRITER

When Missouri Southern's debate team holds its second public debate next week, things could get interesting.

The topic for the April 29 debate will be whether to openly allow homosexuals in the military.

"We're selecting that topic because it's timely, controversial, and exciting," said Eric Morris, debate coach. "It's not a topic that we've had debate rounds on this semester."

The debate will be from 7-9 p.m. in the Matthews Hall auditorium.

The debate squad selected 20 topics and then voted on which one to debate.

Although approximately 40 people attended the last debate over the conflicts between Azerbaijan and Armenia, Morris says he thinks those in attendance were primarily there to witness the novelty of the debate. He said this topic should be of more interest to the public.

"I feel that [the last debate] went well," Morris said.

This debate will be modified to include more audience participation than the previous event.

"We plan to have more audience involvement this time," he said. "I think we've chosen a topic that will draw more people in on its own merit."

Now that the debate squad is no longer competing this season, they have had more time to dedicate to the research of this topic.

"Since we're not debating, we have more time to research a topic that is not related to the national debate topic," Morris said.

Morris said they will be using members of the squad in different roles than in the last debate.

"We'll showcase some different members of the squad this time," he said.

Refreshments will be provided.

## ▶ MISSOURI SOUTHERN FILM SOCIETY

'Dybbuk' slated  
as bonus movie

*Yiddish-Polish picture considered forerunner for Friedkin's 'Exorcist'*

By LEANN MOORE  
STAFF WRITER

The Yiddish-Polish film *The Dybbuk* has been selected as a bonus film from the Missouri Southern Film Society to wrap up this year's film series.

The *Dybbuk* will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday May 4, in the Connor Ballroom of the Billingsly Student Center.

This Yiddish-Polish film is a 1937 version of the 1916 play by Sholom Anski, who was a key figure in the Jewish Socialist movement and a leading dramatist.

The film, directed by Michael Waszynsky, is a combination of realism and mysticism.

Film critic Rob Edelman described the film as "fascinating, beautifully detailed (and restored)...[and] of special interest as a look at a culture made extinct by Hitler."

The story concerns two childhood sweethearts, Leah and Channon. Leah is pledged to another man by her father. The heartbroken Channon suddenly dies, and his spirit enters Leah's body. Her father goes to a rabbi who performs the difficult struggle to free Leah of the "Dybbuk" by exorcism.

According to Harrison Kash, film society director, the film mirrors

some contemporary films.

"The evocation of creatures from the spirit world has been compared with those performed in the silent German film classic *The Golem*, and the exorcism of the Dybbuk has been contrasted with that followed by the priest in William Friedkin's *The Exorcist*," Kash said.

Plans have already been made for next year's film series.

*Boarder Street*, a Polish film depicting the Nazi annihilation of the Jews has been slated. French, Hungarian, and British comedies, an Italian contemporary, Orson Welles' *Mr. Arkadin*, and a film from India, *Aparajito*, also are scheduled.

A film which Kash said the society is looking forward to is *La Roue*, a silent film from France. A Russian silent film, *Ghost That Never Returns*, which has been out of distribution, was recently rereleased and can be seen next year through the Missouri Southern Film Society.

Single admission is \$1.50 for adults and \$1.00 for senior citizens and students. Season passes are also available.

"We have long provided an opportunity that would not otherwise exist," Kash said. "We offer quality international cinema."

## VERTICAL ADJUSTMENT



T. ROB BROWN/The Chart

William Rainey (left), local professional artist, explains to Janet M. Carpenter, senior studio art major, his appreciation of her work last Sunday during her senior art exhibit at the Spiva Art Center.

## ▶ SUZUKI VIOLIN ACADEMY

## Concert set for Sunday

By JENNIFER SEXTON  
STAFF WRITER

The Keynote Club of Carthage (KCC) will join with the Missouri Southern Suzuki Violin Academy (MSSVA) in a special concert in observance of National Music Week.

The free concert will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday in the Webster Communications and Social Science Building auditorium. The performance will feature MSSVA soloists Carrie Clark, Emily Clark, Kristi Addington, and Cathy Higginson.

In addition, KCC soloists Kristen Godfrey, Michele Godfrey, Rebecca Godfrey, Grant Hedeman,

Elaine Long, Rachael Long, Katie Patrick, Kala Subramanian, and Michelle Taylor also will perform. A group performance of MSSVA students also will be featured.

"This will be the first time KCC [students] and MSSVA [students] have performed together," said Kesi Liu, director of the MSSVA. "Joining with the KCC will give more of a variety of music."

The violin academy gave a concert two weeks ago at Northpark Mall and have been busy preparing for the upcoming concert ever since.

A few selected pieces planned for the joint concert include "Concerto for Two Violins, 1st movement" by Bach, "Sonata No. 4 in D, 2nd

Movement" by Handel, "Concerto No. 5 in A, 3rd Movement" by Mozart, and "Concerto in A Minor, 1st Movement" by Vivaldi.

"This concert will be recorded and broadcast at a later date on KKMS," Liu said. "Parents are advised to keep the children too young to attend the concert at home to keep the noise level down."

The students performing in this particular concert will be between the ages of 5 and 18.

Two student recitals are planned for 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Saturday, May 8 in the Webster Auditorium, Liu said. "Admission will be free."

Persons interested in joining the summer MSSVA program are invited to contact Liu at 625-9681.

## ▶ THEATRE DEPARTMENT

## Harrison schedules workshop

By ALLISON GROSSE  
STAFF WRITER

Students and teachers of acting will have an opportunity to watch a master at work when Stanley Harrison presents an acting workshop from 6-10 p.m. on April 27-28 in Taylor Auditorium.

Harrison, an acting coach who has opened several acting schools in New York City, will work with a group of 20 preselected acting students from Missouri Southern. At the workshops, a person can learn new techniques for helping actors prepare a role and create a believable performance.

At the April 27 workshop, those who attend will be introduced to the internal tools, important terminology, and principles of the actor's art. On April 28, there will be a continuation of the first session, including work on the

"ensemble."

Dr. Jay Fields, head of Southern's theatre department, says the funding to bring Harrison to Southern came from faculty development. Although the faculty is the main reason for Harrison's visit, he

believes the students will also benefit.

His students have been featured on Broadway in *A Chorus Line*.

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— Dr. Jay Fields

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"First, [Harrison's visit] will give the faculty a chance to observe a teacher from a New York acting class. Second, the students are the people he works with," Fields said. Harrison is a graduate of Yale

*Les Miserables*, *Will Rogers Follies*, and others.

The public is invited to attend. There is no charge for the workshops and no reservations are necessary. However, for choice seating, persons may contact Fields at 625-9393.

## ▶ PLAY REVIEW

## Taste of 'Doctor's' medicine creates craving for more

By P.J. GRAHAM  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Director Sam Claussen warned that it was unsuitable for children. He warned that it was full of bawdy humor. He didn't warn us that our funny bone would be worn out with laughter by the end of the play.

*The Doctor In Spite Of Himself*, by Jean-Baptiste Moliere, opened last night by the Missouri Southern Theatre group with enough jokes

and comic action to keep a ripple of laughs going through almost the entire play. The play will run at 7:30 p.m. today through Saturday.

*Doctor* is about a wife who seeks revenge on her husband for beating her by making two traders' servants believe he is a doctor. The servants are sent by their master to find a doctor to cure his daughter—who mysteriously cannot talk after she is engaged to man she does not like.

The play within a play theme is used and works well for the comedy written in 1666. But Southern's

actors do it even better justice. Everyone in the production has at least some of the funny elements that illuminate their character.

Lawrence Alford, or Sganarelle the woodcutter turned physician, seems to have skill with both his voice and facial expressions. In some instances, his eyes are the strongest visual on the entire stage (of course, the nose helps).

And Jennifer Russell as Martine, Sganarelle's wife, seems to display actual delight in the cruelty she tries to impose on her husband.

Though the characters have something interesting to focus on, the best parts of the production are when most, or all, of the cast are together on stage competing for attention, stumbling, tripping, pushing, being loud, and just in general being obnoxious.

Some may ask if there is some hidden or deep "meaning". Certainly there is. One could say the distrust of professionals is exemplified in the script. But just watching *Doctor* simply for the comedy of it is a better way to spend an evening.

The set of the play is minimal, but furniture would just get in the way of the wild gestures. Costumes are extravagant and colorful without dazzling the audience and stealing attention from the action and lines.

However, there is only one little problem with the production. The makeup making Lucas' balding head looked like it might fall off.

Well, maybe there are two little problems: Moliere did not write enough. After the play ends, one still wants to taste more of Southern's comedy.

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## ▶ JOPLIN FAMILY YMCA

## 'Y'? Because it's fun!

Summer daycamp keeps children busy

By SHERI RULE  
STAFF WRITER

Working parents looking for affordable, quality summer daycare may find the Joplin Family YMCA their best bet.

The YMCA, 510 Wall, offers a nature daycamp program weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. The program begins June 1 and runs approximately 13 weeks.

Child Care Director Shelly Martin said the program is successful.

"Our camp counselors work with 90 to 115 kids per day," Martin said. "We divide those kids up into different groups, and plan activities outside and inside for them to do."

Martin said that the activities are not limited to the YMCA, either.

"We do lots of things," she said. "We have two buses that are donated to us in the summertime. The kids will load up on the buses at 9 a.m., and we take field trips some days. We go to Joplin parks and play games, and we go swimming almost every day."

"We go skating once a week, and

we go bowling."

Martin said the children range in age from kindergarten to sixth grade, and many of them are from the four-state area.

"Most of the children's parents work in the Joplin area, though," she said.

Daycamp prices vary for YMCA members and non-members, and financial aid is available.

"Our non-member fee is \$60 a week, and the member's fee is \$43 a week," Martin said. "We provide financial assistance through United Way for anyone who wants to apply."

"You can apply between April 1 to April 30. We reduce the fee for summer camp, but the parents will have to pay in something, even if it's a dollar a day."

Martin said the summer camp enrolls quite a few children for reduced fees.

"We usually have between 60 to 70 scholarship children that will be here during the summer," she said.

Persons interested in summer daycamp may call the YMCA at 623-4597.

## WHEELS IN THE SKY



Area high school students share some laughs under the lights of a ferris wheel-type ride at a carnival in downtown Joplin last week.

## ▶ JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL

## Council amends alarm ordinance

By JOHN HACKER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Some alarm systems could start costing their owners hundreds of dollars this summer when an amended city ordinance takes effect.

The proposal to charge alarm owners for excessive false alarms received first-round approval from the Joplin City Council last month, but was tabled after some people complained about the severity of the penalties.

Among the changes recommended to the Council Monday by Joplin Police Chief David Niebur were a reduction in the fine from \$250 to \$150 for each false alarm after the tenth. Niebur also recommended the police not start issuing fines until 120 days after the ordinance is enacted.

"We will send letters during this period [to those with excessive false alarms] to let people know what it would have cost [if the fine had been enforced]," Niebur told

the Council.

The Council gave second-round approval to the amended ordinance but delayed final approval until its next meeting to give people time to react to the changes.

The Council also accepted a \$3,000 donation from citizens to begin work on a Campbell Park fitness trail.

Councilman Ron Richards said the check "was for commencement of construction of footbridges at the Northwest corner of the park way."

Councilman Doug Hunt expressed concern that accepting the donation might be premature because of a still-pending appeal and the lack of a plan.

City Attorney Mark Talley said the ruling on the matter could be overturned on a technicality, but he didn't think that would happen.

"The people [donating the money] have to know there is a chance it could be overturned," Talley said. "They just have to be willing to take that risk."

## ▶ NIGHTLIFE

## Joplin nightclub ready to be grabbed by Suave Octopus

By JEFFREY SLATTON  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

When Suave Octopus performs Saturday night at Boomers, 1800 W. Seventh Street, don't expect to find a smoothly gracious or polite eight-tentacled creature (as the name suggests) on stage.

Expect instead to find a pop alternative band from St. Louis that has been stirring up a lot of attention throughout the state.

"It's kind of funny because music is not really alternative," said David Kalz, Suave Octopus guitar player. "I almost hate to use that word because we've been accepted by alternative, rock, and pop fans."

Drummer Mark Hrabovsky said he feels there are already too many "rock" bands.

"I think our music is really accessible to a lot of people," he said.

Suave Octopus has just released its first CD/Cassette, *Kissing The Sun*, on an independent label. The release features songs fans from the St. Louis area may recognize.

"The album has done very well so far," Kalz said. "It has gotten a lot of positive response from our fans and some airplay on the St. Louis radio stations."

## suave octopus

WHERE Boomer's, 1800 W. 7th Street

WHEN? Saturday, April 24

## WHAT WILL THEY PLAY?

Original material from their CD/Cassette *Kissing The Sun*.

Hrabovsky and Kalz said they were surprised two weeks ago to hear their song, "Ocean," on Joplin's KOCD-FM105.3.

"We were passing through Joplin on our way home from Dallas and heard our song on KOCD, that was exciting," Hrabovsky said.

The band hails from St. Louis and has become a mainstay among music fans in that city over the past year.

"It is kind of a cliché to say that we are from all over

the St. Louis area, but we all live in different parts of the city," Kalz said. "We got together mainly from playing in different bands in the area."

Singer Matt Westphale started the band, with a different line-up, a couple of years ago after previously playing with Do Ya Do Ya.

"I think Matt got burned out on the fact that Do Ya Do Ya was playing too few original songs," Kalz said. Bassist Rich Ellington and Kalz formerly played with another St. Louis band, Daily Planet.

Kalz said Suave Octopus has had several lineups over the last couple of years, but the current members have been together for about a year.

In the past year the response has been very positive, with the band being named one of the top-five Local Alternative Music Bands in St. Louis' *Riverfront Times* Music Poll.

Kalz said there is no intended message or meaning in the name Suave Octopus.

"It is just a name," he said. "Matt (Westphale) and a couple of friends came up with it one night—probably drinking."

"They just told Matt he should call the band Suave Octopus, so he did."

Kalz said the Suave Octopus name has allowed the band to gain some free publicity.

"There is a guy on KMOX (AM1120) that mentioned our name a lot," he said.

Those interested in hearing tracks off the album before purchasing it should be satisfied at the Boomers show.

"We normally do not play a lot of covers when we play out-of-town shows," Kalz said. "At the show in Joplin we will be playing a lot of our own stuff."

Kalz said the band is currently being shopped to record companies by Paul Connell.

"He has really been a godsend to us," Kalz said. "We have gotten the ball rolling for us."

In the future, Suave Octopus plans to do a lot of touring not just in the St. Louis area.

"We've recently been playing in Dallas, Kansas City, Fayetteville, Ark., and Carbondale, Ill., along with St. Louis," Kalz said.

"In the future we are planning trips to Georgia, Nashville, Chicago, and possibly in late August, a trip to the west coast."

Suave Octopus will perform Saturday night at Boomers, 1800 West 7th St., Joplin. Although *Kissing The Sun* is currently not available in Joplin record stores, it will be sold at the concert. Compact disc is \$12 and cassettes \$8.

## STD tests just one clinic service

By CHRISTINA WATKINS  
ADVERTISING MANAGER

With the incidence of sexually transmitted diseases going up, Joplin residents who need to be tested have a friend in Planned Parenthood.

Cost, comfort, and confidentiality are the main reasons people use the facilities at 710 Illinois, which serves both women and men.

"We can usually get you in the day you call or the next day," said Connie Moore, clinic manager.

Moore said the primary service the clinic offers is the yearly examination for birth control, but the clinic also offers testing for pregnancy and for sexually transmitted diseases (STDs).

"If you have multiple partners you are at risk for STDs," Moore said. "We still have numerous patients who have multiple partners; that's not in just this clinic but around the country."

If a patient is diagnosed with an STD, it is explained how it may have been acquired, how to treat it, and how to help prevent acquiring it again.

"We have seen an increase in gonorrhea use to help prevent STDs," she said. "They are using condoms along with other means of birth control. Their concern is to prevent pregnancy as well as STDs."

Moore said the most frequently seen STDs at the clinic are chlamydia and human papilloma virus more commonly known as HPV.

Chlamydia strikes more than 4 million men and women each year and, according to Planned Parenthood, it is the most common STD in the United States today.

Moore said the clinic offers information on all options—abortion, continuing a pregnancy, and adoption.

"We are a pro-choice organization, which simply means we want all of our patients to make their own decisions," Moore said. "We don't want to choose for them."

Moore said the first step is to take a pregnancy test, then have someone give you your options and refer you somewhere else if requested.

"We feel like education is an important part of your exam."

We also offer education programs upon request about STDs and birth control."

Moore said that approximately 10 percent of the clinic's patients are men.

"We offer a very good service and we try to see people who may not be seen for medical problems due to money or personal problems," said Moore.

Moore added that the clinic is self-sustaining and operates on patient fees and private donations.

## City Briefs

## ●Strip centers near full occupancy

According to a report published Tuesday in The Joplin Globe, the occupancy rate in Joplin strip centers is close to 90 percent.

The story quotes Tom Berger of Independent Ventures as saying there is a market in Joplin for strip center leased space and that this time of year is the season for an improved market. Berger cited the move out of the post-Christmas slump and into the summer and the back-to-school sales period.

Berger also said movement by tenants from one strip mall to another is minimal and such moves are made for two reasons—a better location or unhappiness with the landlord.

## ●Card show on tap this weekend

This weekend, area card collectors will get a chance to browse through the offerings of dealers from six states.

The Meadowbrook Mall Coins, Stamps, Baseball Cards, and Comic Books Show will run from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday at the Meadowbrook Mall in Pittsburg, Kan. The show will be free to the public.

Interested persons may contact Dave Sotnick at (316) 232-0224.

## ●Softball program to get underway

Carl Junction youngsters will get their season underway this Sunday when the Carl Junction girls farm softball program is held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the ball park complex. There will be a clinic and final sign-ups.

The program is open to girls from kindergarten through the third grade. Players must be six years old on or before Aug. 1.

For more information, persons may call Jerri LeGrande at 649-7498.

## ●Clothes and more available at sale

Vintage clothes buffs may feel like they have died and gone to heaven when the southwest Missouri chapter of the National Organization for Women holds a rummage sale Saturday at 1117 Patterson.

The group said in addition to clothes, they expect other useful household items to be among the offerings. The sale will run from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The group is still seeking donations for the sale and still needs volunteer help to set up for the sale. Interested persons may call Kelly Cannon at 624-7514.

## ●R-8 Board sets committee schedule

Citing the need for regularity, the Joplin R-8 Board of Education has agreed to a new committee meeting schedule.

Committee meetings now will be held on alternating Monday nights in the Roi Wood Administrative Center. In the past, Board committees have met at 7 a.m. or other times on almost any day of the week.

Regular meeting of the Board will continue to be at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 1717 E. 15th Street. The committee meetings, if needed, will be on the first and third Mondays of the month.

## ●Heyka to address AARP gathering

Mark Heyka, a weatherman from KOAM-TV, will speak Tuesday at a meeting of Joplin Chapter No. 2372 of the American Association of Retired Persons.

The meeting will be at 1:30 p.m. at Harmony Heights Baptist Church, 2025 Indiana Avenue.

## ▶ SENTINEL PROGRAM

## Citizens offer officers valuable assistance

Volunteers free police for emergency calls

By TODD HIGDON  
STAFF WRITER

Helping people in a non-life-threatening situation is the main purpose of the Sentinel program of the Joplin Police Department.

Sentinels are citizens volunteering their time to assist Joplin police officers. The program was founded in 1991 by former Joplin Police Chief Michael Wightman.

"Some of them (students) go from the police academy to the Sentinels," said Larry Abernethy, Sentinel coordinator.

Abernethy has been with the program since it began. Phil Garvin is also a program coordinator. The program is strictly volunteer.

Some of the duties include vacation/property checks, public control at accidents, security at Missouri Southern games, motorist assistance (including vehicle lockouts), and computer help.

## WHAT DOES SENTINEL DO?

- Vehicle inspection
- Crime prevention
- Vacation checks
- Vehicle lockouts

SOURCE: Joplin Police Department

The Sentinels are between the ages of 18 to 60.

The volunteers make no arrests and carry no weapons. The program guarantees the city that volunteers will work between 10 hours (5 p.m. to 10 p.m.)

Each of the volunteers must pass through an 80-hour training session.

"In the past, there have been students from Southern," Abernethy said.

For more information, interested persons may contact Larry Abernethy at 624-4050.



## TEACHING OF GAY AND LESBIAN VALUES IN SCHOOLS

## Russell says SB169 does not violate rights

By KAYLEA HUTSON  
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Sen. John Russell (R-Lebanon) has his way, teachers in the elementary and secondary public school system will not be able to present both sides concerning homosexual activity.

Russell is currently sponsoring Senate Bill 139, which states "no public school district shall publish, disseminate, or use any material that depicts or advocates homosexuality." Russell said the bill does not contradict the First Amendment of the Constitution. "I have a problem when people try and twist

this bill around to say what it isn't," Russell said. "This has nothing to do with First Amendment Rights."

The bill is currently out of committee, but most likely will not be up for consideration until the 1993-94 General Assembly.

"I think it will serve some purpose to put them (the school boards) on notice and give them some guidance," Russell said. "This (the early introduction) will somewhat serve a purpose in introducing the bill and advancing it."

The bill places further limits by stating "no administrator, teacher, or any other employee of any public school shall publish, disseminate, or in any other manner present any

material to any public school student which depicts or advocates homosexuality."

If a teacher advocates homosexuality to their students they would be charged with a class C misdemeanor.

"If a teacher stands up in front of a class and says 'Don't you think that it's O.K. to be gay or lesbian?' then it is promoting homosexuality," Russell said. "They are conditioning little kids to accept homosexual lifestyle."

"When they show two men in bed, two men washing dishes, two men shaving, with a little boy present, and presenting it like everything is rosy, then that is promoting it."

The bill will only affect elementary and secondary public schools. Higher education

will not be affected.

With the way the bill is written, "material" is defined as a pamphlet, leaflet, book or booklet, banner, sign, poster, or any other matter whether printed or otherwise displayed... whether or not as a part of the academic curriculum or incident to any extracurricular activity.

"I don't want this to sound like I'm gay bashing," Russell said. "But if teachers want to say homosexuals may be a carrier of AIDS or 2 percent of the population in the country are homosexuals, then that is O.K."

"But if they propose to expose or indoctrinate them (in homosexual lifestyles) then this is how the law would come into play."

HIGHER  
EDUCATION  
BRIEFSTwo named to  
Lincoln Board  
of Curators

A civil rights leader and a cultural heritage expert were appointed last week to the Lincoln University Board of Curators by Gov. Mel Carnahan.

Claude Rogers, 44, of St. Louis, and Yvonne Wilson, 64, Kansas City, are both graduates of Lincoln.

If confirmed by the state Senate, they will serve six-year terms on the board. They would replace Dr. Thomas Cooper, a Fulton physician, and Herbert Hardwick, a Kansas City attorney, whose terms expired.

"These are quality people who have the expertise and experience we were looking for," Carnahan said. "Claude and Yvonne are highly committed to education."

William Woods  
College to be  
university

William Woods College in Fulton has announced plans to become a university in the near future.

The school will consist of three colleges: a women's college, an international college, and an adult/graduate studies college.

William Woods president Jahnar H. Barnett made the announcement in a school news release Tuesday.

The College currently has 850 students, with 5 percent being males belonging to exchange programs. The school, founded in 1870, has always been a women's college.

Honorary  
degrees given  
at UMKC

The University of Missouri-Kansas City will honor two distinguished alumni at commencement ceremonies in May for significant contributions in their fields.

UMKC will present honorary doctoral degrees to H. Howard Stephenson, chief executive officer of the Bank of Hawaii, and Edward Zigler, Sterling Professor of Psychology at Yale University.

UMKC will present Zigler with an honorary doctor of philosophy degree. He was co-founder of Head Start, the federally funded program that has given many pre-school children the foundation they need in order to enter school ready to learn.

Stephenson will receive an honorary doctor of laws degree. He also is chairman of the board for the University of Hawaii. As an expert on Pacific trade and commerce, he is one of the leaders in his field for the entire Pacific region.

NASA astronaut  
to visit HSSC  
tomorrow

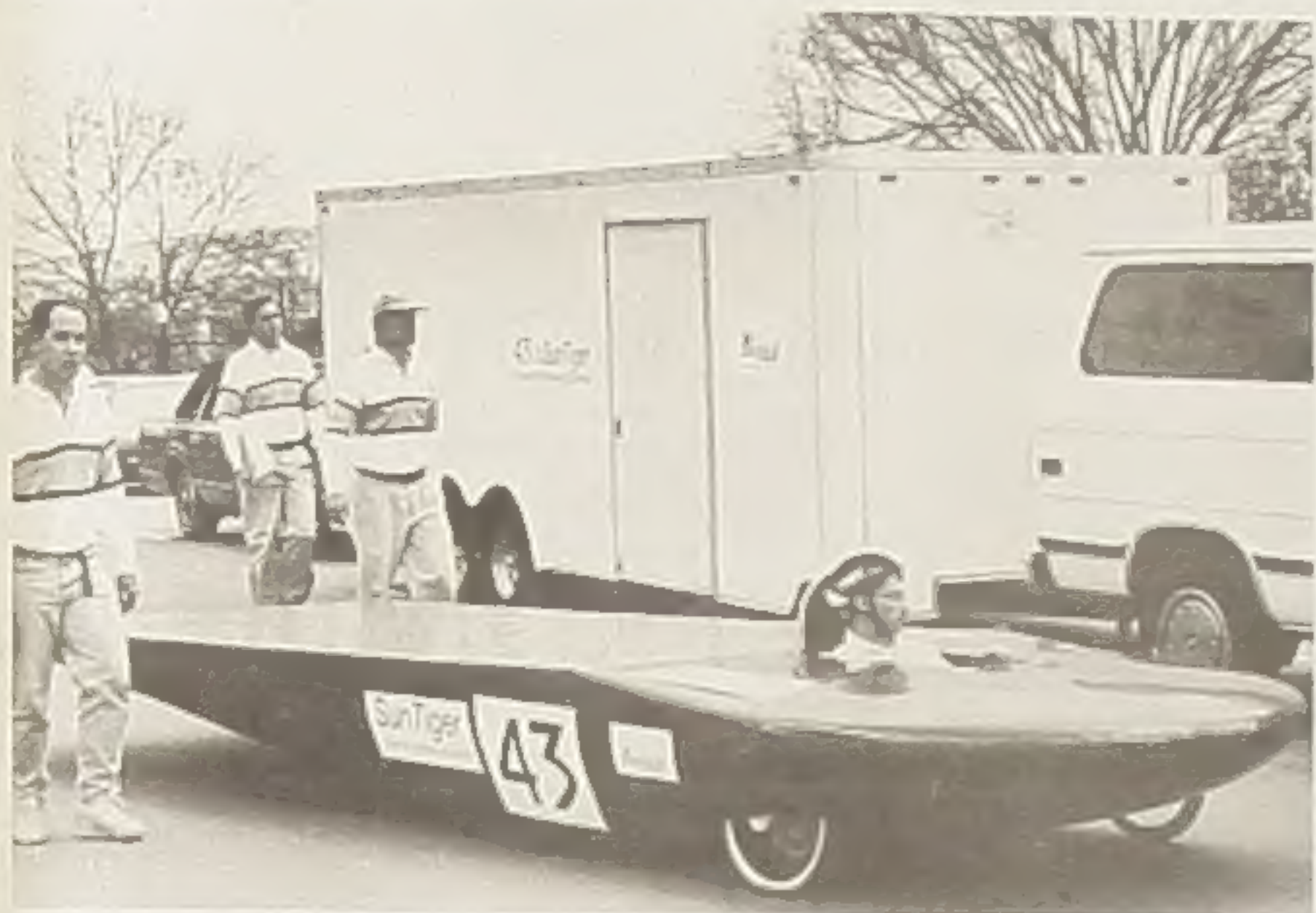
Col. Frederick D. Gregory, an African-American Astronaut with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, will give a motivational presentation on mathematics, science, and space explorations to students, faculty, and staff at Harris-Stowe State College 11 a.m. tomorrow in the College's Main Auditorium.

Students from various St. Louis Public Schools and local colleges will also be in attendance, and members of the corporate community and from other walks of community life have been invited.

Gregory is currently the associate administrator in the Office of Safety and Mission Quality at NASA Headquarters in Washington, D.C. He has flown in three missions as a NASA astronaut, which included the Orbiter Challenger.

This program is free and open to the public. Persons may call (314) 340-3390.

## SEARCHING FOR A PARKING SPOT?



The University of Missouri-Columbia proudly paraded their solar powered "SunTiger 43" around the grounds of the Capitol Monday. The car recently placed first among first generation cars during a race at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. The car finished sixth overall in the race.

JEFFREY SLATTON/The Chart

## HOUSE SPEAKER

Griffin yields license;  
ethics allegation filed

After much controversy, House Speaker Bob Griffin (D-Cameron) has surrendered his driver's license, which was ordered taken away because he refused to take a breath test after being pulled over by police last month.

On March 11, Griffin was arrested for driving while intoxicated. The arresting officer reported Griffin was so drunk that he could not properly administer the field sobriety test. Griffin turned in his driver's license Saturday, when the suspension took effect.

Griffin did plead guilty in Jefferson City Municipal Court and received two years' probation and 80 hours of community service in addition to the loss of

his driver's license. In Missouri, refusal to take the breath test results in an automatic loss of a driver's license for one year.

Griffin said he had two vodka drinks before his arrest, and blamed his state on medication used to control his heart and allergy condition. At the time he was stopped, Griffin was driving his state-furnished vehicle.

House Republicans have criticized Griffin during the past month over the charge, calling for his resignation. House Minority Leader Pat Kelley (R-Lee's Summit) filed an ethics complaint against Griffin. The complaint is currently pending in the House Judiciary and Ethics Committee.

Griffin has said in the past that he will not use a state-funded driver.

## ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

## Carnahan left with 4 weeks to pass plan

By JEFFREY SLATTON  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

With time apparently running out in the current legislative session, Gov. Mel Carnahan has proposed tax increases along with budget cuts in order to fund elementary and secondary education in the state.

Carnahan addressed a joint assembly of the Legislature two weeks ago to announce his plan for education in the state of Missouri.

"Throughout my campaign for governor, I spoke of the need to improve our schools," he said. "I said then, and I say again now, if we don't improve our schools, Missouri doesn't have a future worth having."

Carnahan said a new school funding formula was required after Judge Byron Kinder ruled that the current formula was inequitable and inadequate, and therefore unconstitutional, four days after Carnahan took office.

"The fact is that funding a new foundation formula that meets the

court's requirements will itself require significant new revenues," Carnahan said.

He said to meet obligations under the court order and to adequately address the need for greater equity in school funding, "we will have to raise taxes to fund the new foundation formula."

"I fully recognize we have a legal order, as well as a moral obligation, to fix the formula," he said. "But I will not support another dollar more for education, court order or no court order, unless we build in safeguards that ensure that every education dollar is spent wisely and efficiently, in the classroom on those things that really help children learn."

In order to gain as many votes as possible, Carnahan targeted the only tax increase on individuals whose households earn more than \$100,000 per year.

"I will call for eliminating the state's federal income tax deduction for wealthy Missourians," he said. "Households with incomes over \$100,000 per year will no longer be able to take their federal

income taxes as a deduction on their state tax returns."

Carnahan said this is the only personal tax increase that he is recommending.

"This tax increase will affect only 3 percent of Missouri households," he said.

"To be affected by this increase, a household would have to have an annual income that is more than twice that of the average Missouri family."

Carnahan also said he has two other means to fund his plan, the first of which is to cut government spending.

"I want to make sure state government does its part," he said. "We will permanently cut \$50 million dollars out of the state budget, starting with this coming year, and re-allocate this money to education."

Finally, Carnahan recommended a corporate tax increase that will affect about 8 percent of Missouri corporations.

"Together, these personal and corporate tax increases will amount to approximately \$365 million dol-

lars," he said.

"This money will be used to fund the formula and pay for a harmless provision that assures that no school district will lose money as a result of adopting this new formula."

Carnahan said Judge Byron Kinder's ruling that the formula was unconstitutional required him to change his plans for getting approval of his World Class Schools program, a proposal to overhaul and reform the state's educational system.

"To meet our obligations under the court order and to address the need for greater equity and adequacy in school funding, I am proposing that the state adopt the new, more equitable foundation formula recently drafted by the joint legislative committee," he said.

The plan would reduce class size, improve teacher training, and expand the highly successful Parents as Teachers early childhood education program. It would also upgrade vocational and technical training opportunities and strengthen curriculum. Additionally, it will

## ST. LOUIS

## City swears in first black mayor

St. Louis swore in its first black mayor Tuesday, and he promised to bring the city closer together during his term.

Democrat Freeman Bosley Jr., 38, succeeds Vincent C. Schoemehl, who ran unsuccessfully for the Democratic nomination for Governor last year and did not seek a fourth term.

Bosley became the first black mayor in a city of 40,000 people that is divided almost equally between blacks and whites.

Bosley addressed a crowd of over a thousand who braved the wind and rain outside city hall to witness the swearing-in at noon.

"You wanted a new direction," Bosley said. "As of today, a new

direction is in effect."

Bosley's election continued the 44-year old reign in City Hall for the Democrats. He is a former circuit clerk from the north side of St. Louis.

"We must work hard to do all we can to meet the financial challenge," he said.

## COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

## Carthage named enterprise zone

Last week, much of the city of Carthage was designated as an enterprise zone, making it eligible for tax incentives for industry.

The General Assembly's Committee on Economic Development took the action that

brings the state's total to 53 enterprise zones. Businesses in the zones may receive property-tax abatements from local governments as well as tax credits from the state for creating jobs and training workers.

The Carthage zone consists of

3,940 acres, mainly in the northeast and northwest quadrants of the city, large rural areas to the north and east, and, via a railway connection, the industrial park. The zone includes a triangular section south of Fairview, across from the Industrial Park.

## A WATCHFUL EYE



JEFFREY SLATTON/The Chart

The statue of Thomas Jefferson watches over the Capitol grounds.

The Chart is accepting applications for all positions for the 1993-94 academic year. Interested persons should apply in Webster Hall Room 333.



## ► MINORITY LEADERS

**Race no obstacle for pianist, professor**

Constitutional freedoms, standard of living attract Wang to America

By **ANGIE SHIPP**  
CHART REPORTER

In fall of 1990, Dr. May Wang began her teaching career in the field of psychology at Missouri Southern.

"For many years I have had an interest in child psychology," Wang said.

While growing up, Wang lived in Beijing, the capital of China. She learned English in junior high school, but there were not many opportunities to exercise her speaking abilities.

in Psychology.

Wang said, "First I got my teaching degree, then I went on to graduate school to get my master's at Michigan State."

Once arriving at Michigan State, she was offered a job as a part time teaching assistant.

She said she applied for different jobs but accepted when Missouri Southern offered her a position in Psychology.

Wang said she liked living in the United States because of the individual freedom and rights guaranteed by the constitution. She also likes the competitiveness in her

"Being a minority hasn't given me any problems. The students here at Missouri Southern treat me with much respect."

— Dr. May Wang

Wang came from a standard family of a father, mother and one older sister. Her father and mother are still living in Beijing, but her sister now lives in the United States. Wang said she often visits her sister in Michigan.

In 1979, she attended college at Beijing University. Wang moved to the United States on September 2, 1985.

She said she had to go through a long process to get her degree

career.

The living standards and pop music are other interests of Wang's.

"Being a minority hasn't given me any problems," she said. "The students here at Missouri Southern treat me with much respect."

Wang said that the most important things she wants her students to learn, is the need to be aware of debate and controversy in the study of human development.



Vivian Leon

**Leon finds most people kind, open-minded**

By **STACY SCOTT**  
CHART REPORTER

Immigrating to the United States at the age of 18 was an "exciting adventure" for Vivian Leon. Born in China and raised in Hong Kong, Leon sailed alone on an ocean liner for 19 days to reach San Francisco. From there, she traveled to Oklahoma Baptist University where she attended col-

lege on a piano scholarship.

Two years later, she transferred to North Texas State University where she earned her bachelor's and master's degrees in music. She and her husband, College President Julio Leon, moved to Joplin in 1970. Vivian Leon is director of Missouri Southern's International Piano Competition.

Leon said for her, the negative attitudes of some people toward her nationality or her gender were

never a big concern.

"Most people are very kind and open-minded," she said.

However, Leon said she felt she had to do well because she was representing a different country.

"It [her heritage] is a source of pride," she said. "I am proud of my background."

Leon believes anyone in this country can succeed no matter what their race or gender.

**Students vie for awards**

Nine Phi Beta Lambda members competed in State Leadership Conference on April 2-3 in Jefferson City.

The conference included written and oral examinations, leadership workshops, and the election of state officers.

Over 256 students attended the

conference, representing 25 colleges and universities across the state.

Southern had a sizable showing, with five students capturing in eight different categories.

Winners in individual competition were: Andrew Svilarich, third place in Accounting II and second place in Finance; and

Michelle Brown, first place in Marketing and second place in Management. Chris Kensing captured fifth place in Human Resource Management; Bert Nichols, first place in Telecommunications, and Brian Nichols, first place in Mr. Future Business Executive and third place in Impromptu Speaking.

Those students who won first or second place in their respective competitions are eligible to represent Southern at the National Phi Beta Lambda Leadership Conference.

The national conference is held each year in Washington D.C.

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The entire program runs from June 7-24. An orientation period for students and parents will be held at 1:00 p.m. on June 7 in Webster Auditorium, before students are directed to classes. "The students may pick two class periods each lasting one hour and 15 minutes for 12 class periods," said Mrs. G. Erin Ray, Director of the Southern's Plus Program.

There will be two periods in which classes will be held; both having a list of classes that will be chosen by students and parents. The first period will run from 1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. and the second period will run from 2:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Fees will be \$110 for the two classes. The deadline to enroll is May 3, and enrollment will be taken by the Education Department, which is sponsoring the event.

"The program, which has run for several years, was first initiated by President Leon, who saw a need for it," said Ray.

Ray, who has been working with the program since it started, said that she expects roughly 110-120 students to enroll in the program this summer.

For more information, interested persons can contact Ray, at 625-9309.

► **SANDERS**, from page 4

(Emphasis on the word "fantasy.") No word from the Roman Catholics yet.

In other words, if you don't hero-worship Rush Limbaugh, John Wayne, Garth Brooks, Arnold Schwarzenegger, or George Bush, then you need to keep your mouth shut.

Enough is enough.

Isn't this supposed to be America, land of the free and home of the brave (all parenthetical additions to the first paragraph of this column

notwithstanding)? Doesn't our Constitution guarantee freedom of speech, freedom of religion, freedom of press, and the right to peaceably assemble?

Is there any law anywhere that says it's illegal to burn the flag when any of our Constitutional rights have been violated? There is no such law, even though the "three Rs" would like you to believe there is.

And that's why groups such as NOW, NAACP, the ACLU, the

► **SOCIOLOGY****Jordan resigns to attend UT**

By **CATHERINE ROSS**  
STAFF WRITER

Sociology Instructor Regine Jordan is leaving Missouri Southern.

Jordan will be attending the University of Texas in Austin to work on her master's degree this fall.

When she has completed her master's she says she plans to start pursuing her PhD.

Jordan received her bachelor's degree in sociology from Southern.

Before coming to the College two years ago as an instructor, the Joplin native taught at the Joplin R-S school in secondary and elementary education.

When she worked as a teacher she saw a lot of symptoms of abuse and wanted to help.

"I have seen a lot of children in crisis and have found myself wanting to help," she said.

Jordan said this desire to help is what prompted her to get into the social work scene.

"There's a lot of need for social work," she said.

Jordan says with her two sons in college she is now at a point in her life she wants to go back to school and continue her education.

Jordan worked with a Joplin church helping to counsel families before abuse started.

"We taught people how families are supposed to function," she said. "A lot of them had no idea how one does."

"Some people come from abusive homes, a lot of this (abuse) can be prevented."

After completing school, Texas Jordan plans to return to Joplin to this same kind of social work.

No replacement for Jordan has been named at this time.

► **LETTER**, page 4

ognized, Adolph and John both think that these groups are an impurity to our nation or race. The only thing they don't have in common is that John does not have the power to make his very homophobic, Neo-Nazi, ultra-right, overtly heterosexual, oppressive, shortsighted, ignorant vision a reality. Let's hope no one ever does.

Free your craniums people! Please become sadomasochistic pot-smoking, longhaired, destroyers of society, liberal weirdos like me! Support the movement.

Steve Doubledt  
Junior Communications Major  
P.S. John, you need a spanking!

► **TUITION**, page 1

end of the session. The governor then has 45 days to sign or veto the budget.

"We may be talking June 15 before we know what we've got," Leon said.

Burton said the chances for future appropriations increases from the state also depend on what happens this year.

"Some people want to stretch the foundation funding out to three years and fund it without a tax increase," he said. "If that happens we won't see any more money for higher education for quite a while."

► **PLANT**, page 1

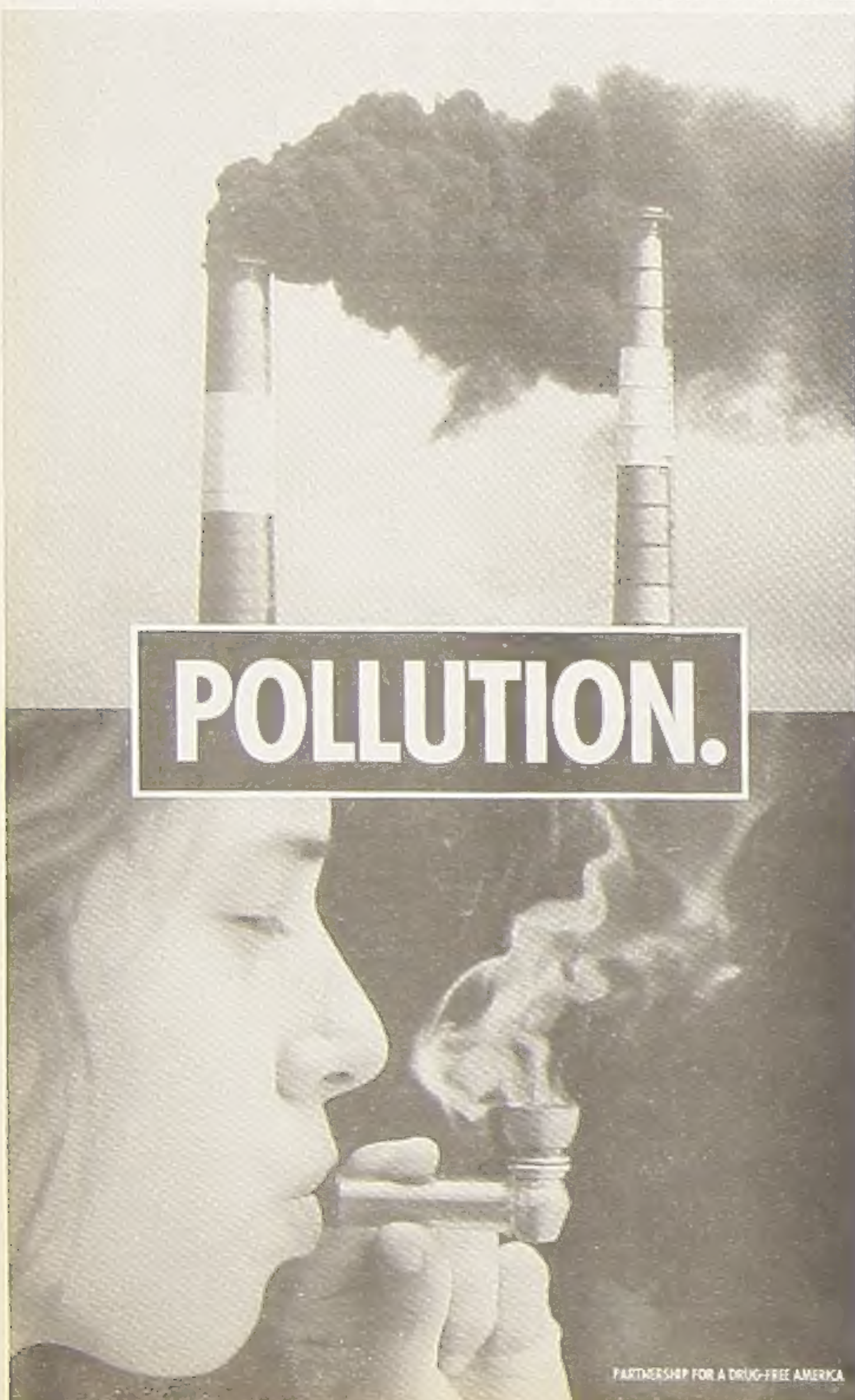
Southern's lighting project, which place lanterns in the campus oval, is proceeding with the improved weather this week. A trench in which to place a conduit system for the lights was started yesterday.

New fume hoods for labs in Reynolds Hall are also planned as a future project. Beeler said the old fume hoods are outdated.

Aside from major changes, maintenance work is planned for replacing flooring in some areas, improving locker rooms in the gymnasium, and putting in new floors in the racquetball courts.

**Keep watching for the 8th annual LePage-Smith awards coming soon. Chart sports**

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## SOFTBALL

## Lady Lions seeded first by flip of coin

Two-out rallies key sweep of Northeastern yesterday

By CHAD HAYWORTH  
MANAGING EDITOR

I took a flip of the coin to decide the seeding for the Missouri Southern Lady Lion softball team for this weekend's MIAA conference tournament, and it was a favorable one.

Southern, 33-10, finished 9-1 in the south division regular season, and for first with Pittsburg State University. The Lady Lions and Gorillas split their regular season matchups, which forced the tie-breaking coin flip.

"We are sitting right where we want to be," said Lady Lion Coach Pat Lipira. "We wanted to go to the tournament as the number one seed in the south."

In the tournament's first round, the 12th ranked Lady Lions will face the Northeast Missouri State University Lady Bulldogs on Friday at the Johnson County Softball Complex in Shawnee, Kan.

"We have a tendency to play outstanding defense for three or four games in a row. Then Pittsburg State University comes on the field and we fall apart. I don't know if it's nerves or what."

standing defense for three or four games in a row," she said. "Then PSU comes on the field and we fall apart."

"I don't know if it is nerves, or what," Lipira said. "In yesterday's doubleheader with Northeastern (Okla.) State University, the Lady Lions used some timely hitting to sweep the NAIA school. Southern took the first game 3-1 and the second 4-0."

"We got some key two-out hits in addition to some outstanding defense today," Lipira said. "We did allow five walks today, which is something we won't be able to do this weekend."

Southern also received some good news off the field this week. Sophomore pitcher Andrea Clarke, who left the team in March to attend to her gravely ill mother, was granted another year of eligibility from the NCAA. Clarke will have two seasons of eligibility remaining, should she return next

— Pat Lipira  
Lady Lions' Head Coach

By losing the coin toss, PSU is bracketed with conference front runners Missouri Western State College, Washburn University, and Northwest Missouri State University.

Lipira said her team seems to have a problem when facing the Gorillas.

"We have a tendency to play out-

year.

"Obviously we are very happy for Andrea," Lipira said.

"I would have been real surprised if they hadn't given her the other year."

"There is no way they could punish her for the situation her mother is in."

## STRIKE ONE!



Missouri Southern Junior Angie Hadley delivers a pitch during the Lady Lions' 3-1 victory over Northeastern (Okla.) State yesterday. It was the first game of a doubleheader at Lea Kungie Field.

CHAD HAYWORTH/The Chart

## TRACK AND FIELD

## MIAA meet begins today

Women take 8 firsts at CMSU last weekend

By P.J. GRAHAM  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

With only two meets before the national track and field competition, Missouri Southern Head Coach Tom Rutledge is pushing his athletes toward the goal of getting better times to make it to the meet in Abilene, Texas.

The first meet will start today at the MIAA Championships at Central Missouri State University. The decathlon competition will start at 2 p.m. with freshman Jason Ramsey and junior Dwayne Friend competing in the event. At 2:30 p.m. freshman Mary Adamson will start in the heptathlon. Tomorrow, the two events will wrap-up and the field and running events will begin and last through Saturday.

Injuries sustained by Scott Tamowicki and Tongula Givens are looking better, Rutledge said. However, sprinter Lucretia Brown

pulled a leg muscle during last weekend's CMSU Mule Relays.

"It was a bad time to pull a muscle," Rutledge said. "But we've got some other bullets to put out there."

Ramsey has an ankle injury, but will still be competing.

"That's of great concern, but Jason is an over-achiever," Rutledge said.

At CMSU last weekend, the women's team reaped eight first places. Regina Harrison and Givens both won two events each. Givens jumped 19-2 in the long jump and 39-4 in the triple jump for the firsts. Harrison won with 26.3 seconds in the 200 meter dash and 1:00.44 in the 400 meters—she also captured third in the 100 meters.

Givens and Harrison joined Jennifer Heckart and Tammy Molesky to win the 4 by 10 relay race. Heckart also set a personal best when she won the 100 meter hurdles with 14.6 seconds and Molesky placed third in the 200 meters. Though she pulled her leg muscle during the final round of the 100-meter dash, Brown still took fourth in the event.

Middle distance runner Rhonda Cooper won the 3,000-meter event

and Stacie Moses placed first in the javelin with a throw of 135-0.

For the men's team, Higinio Covarrubias ran 4:05.3 in the 1500 to place second and Scott Tamowicki also took a second with 10.5 in the 100 dash.

Senior John Buchanan placed second in the long jump (22-8) and the triple jump (45-9 1/4). Matt Houck threw the shotput 51-2 1/4 for a third-place finish.

Rutledge says his remaining problem is mainly not having enough athletes for depth—but is optimistic.

"We will win as many, or more, firsts and seconds as the other schools," he said. "It's those third, fourth, and fifth places that always seem to catch us. But that is changing."

After this weekend, there will be a meet at the University of Arkansas before the national competition. Rutledge is interested in the meet mainly to work on improving times to try to get provisional times for the nationals.

"I've tried to prepare our kids to be physically and mentally ready to attack," he said. "We're really having to depend on freshman."

"Win or lose Friday and Saturday, they've done a great job."

## TENNIS

## Ladies travel to St. Joseph for MIAA finale

By DAVID BURNETT  
STAFF WRITER

The Missouri Southern Lady Lion netters are feeling optimistic about their chances in the conference tournament which begins today in St. Joseph.

Southern's last match was Monday, when they lost 8-1 against Northeastern (Okla.) State University. The doubles team of Diane Hoch and Emily Blackwell again played solidly for Southern's only victory of the day. Coach Georgina Bodine also pointed out the "impressive" play of Jill Fisher, who lost her match.

The Lady Lions are a young team with four freshmen, but Bodine said she has confidence in her

girls.

"Of course we are young, but every player has matured and improved throughout the year," said Bodine.

Although Southern will probably not have anyone seeded, they could surprise a lot of people.

"Ali (Pepper) Potter and Diane (Hoch) could both be surprises in singles, and the doubles team of [Hoch] and Emily Blackwell play good every time out," said Bodine.

Southern has only one player who has been to the MIAA conference tournament before, so the excitement is high among the team.

"I don't know what to expect," said Potter. "There will be a lot of good players there, so I'll have to play my best. I feel though that if I

play my best that anything can happen."

Emily Blackwell, who has been playing consistently since improving her forehand with Bodine's help, agrees that nerves will play a part this weekend.

"We are all excited and nervous at the same time. This conference is a lot different than playing high school tennis, but I'm looking forward to it," said Blackwell. "I feel that Diane and I have a good chance of winning. The two teams that are expected to be seeded first and second have gone all three sets with us. It's just a matter of us playing our best when it matters."

The seeds for the tournament are being drawn today at 10 a.m. and matches begin at 1 p.m.

## BASEBALL

## Lions' season may be over

Whether the Missouri Southern baseball Lions reach the MIAA playoffs is a question only Southwest Baptist University can answer.

If SBU (9-6 in the MIAA) can sweep the University of Missouri-Rolla Miners today, they will edge ahead of Southern (11-6-1) in the conference standings and capture a post-season bid. The Bearcats put themselves into the position of playing spoiler to Southern by sweeping the Lions 8-5 and 3-2 Tuesday at Joe Becker Stadium.

Rumors circulated yesterday that UMR did not want to play the games because of the school policy against missing classes. UMR previously told SBU coaches that the Miners would play should the games make a

difference in the conference standings.

"I would say that everyone involved cooperated to get this done," said Ken Jones, MIAA commissioner. "We finalized the details [Wednesday] morning. There will be at least one game; two if needed."

A Bearcats loss would eliminate them from the playoff picture and would give Southern second place in the MIAA South Division. A Bearcat sweep of UMR would give SBU an 11-6 conference mark, percentage points (.647-.639) ahead of the Lions.

Jones said Southern was involved in the discussions which arranged the SBU/UMR contests.

"Athletic Director (Jim) Frazier participated in the discussions," Jones said.

## GOLF

## Team takes 4th at Western

MIAA tourney up next at Tan-Tar-A

By DAVID BURNETT  
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The Missouri Southern golf team finished fourth in a field of twenty teams at Missouri Western last week despite terrible weather. Jon Anderson and Chris Claassen paced the Lions with two day totals of 154.

"We did not play as well as we had hoped, but the weather conditions were absolutely horrible," said coach Bill Cox. "It was raining, 35 degrees, and had a North wind of 25 mph."

The Lions next test will be a very important one when they travel to Tan-Tar-A for the conference tournament.

"Any one of our boys are capable of shooting good golf. We just hope to peek at the right time," said Cox.

Southern, Southwest Baptist University, University of Missouri

St. Louis, have been picked by conference coaches as teams most likely to win the tournament.

"I told our boys not to look at any one team. We just need to play our own game, and take one stroke at a time," said Cox.

It seems like bad weather has been following the Lions all spring and Cox hopes to hide from it this Monday and Tuesday.

"We're playing on a very tough course, and the reward for winning is a trip to nationals, so I hope we have nice weather," said Cox.

Senior Chris Claassen who has been playing well as of late is excited about the tournament.

"I've been averaging 77 all year, so if I can hit that I should be all right. I'm hitting the ball really well right now, but it's a tough course. I just hope I play up to my best potential since it's my last time," said Claassen.

The only other senior on the team is Anderson, who has the same goals as his good friend Claassen, which is a trip to nationals.

"It's my senior year and I want to go out on top with a trip to nationals," said Anderson.



T.R. HANRAHAN

## Mom, Mr. Casper is inspirational

Dear Mom, The last time we talked, we had a little disagreement about baseball players. You pretty much said they are all greedy bastards who care more about their BMWs than their obligations to their fans. I countered that while a good number of them are fixated on their paychecks, good baseball and good guys who play it are around if you only look.

The greatest thing about being a journalist is the opportunity to meet people. I realize you don't have that advantage; so, Mom, let me introduce you to a few people it has been my privilege to get to know.

First of all, meet Todd Casper. Casper is a senior pitcher on the Missouri Southern baseball team. He is 2-0 for the Lions and posted a 3-2 record with a 1.24 earned run average his junior year. It all sounds so ordinary—except for one thing that makes Casper an extraordinary young man. He tore a muscle in his throwing arm last year and missed the entire summer and fall 1992 seasons.

After surgery, a lay-off, and a lot of rehabilitation Casper is back on the mound. His recovery meant as much to his teammates as it did to him.

"His recovery was a big confidence boost to the whole team," said Matt Auer, a senior pitcher for Southern. "After what he went through, to come back and throw strikes."

"Everyone wanted him to come back."

Mom, Casper wasn't thinking about a pro career or a signing bonus when he started down the long road to recovery. While Todd sweated with doctors and trainers and saw the right arm that had mowed down MIAA hitters hanging in a sling, he just knew he wanted to pitch his senior season. If you think he didn't have doubts, you're wrong.

"I wondered about it a couple of weeks after the surgery," Casper told me earlier this year. "My arm was in a sling for five to six weeks and that was hard but it was worth it."

"When they beat Oklahoma I knew I had to get back."

That kind of work ethic is something the Lions' players develop early in their careers at Southern. They do the groundskeeping at Joe Becker Stadium (and believe me, that is a task), they sell the concessions at the games, and they never stop giving something back to the community.

"I try to keep it pretty clear that there is more to life than baseball," Lions Head Coach Warren Turner told me.

Turner is the next guy I want you to meet. Turner and his team make pizzas for charity, deliver goals to raise cash for the Red Cross, serve lunches at senior assessment, sell peanuts at football games, and generally help anyone who asks.

Turner and his coaches raise money to improve Becker Stadium; a ball yard that has hosted the likes of Mickey Mantle and Whitey Herzog to name a few. The city owns the park, but when you look around you see a lot of Turner's sweat.

Currently, three Southern alumni are playing minor league ball. You know Mom, I bet they remember grooming the mound and laying the lime for the batter's boxes. I bet they are still good guys who play for the right reasons.

Incidentally, Mom, did I mention that Southern is the defending MIAA and Central Region champion?

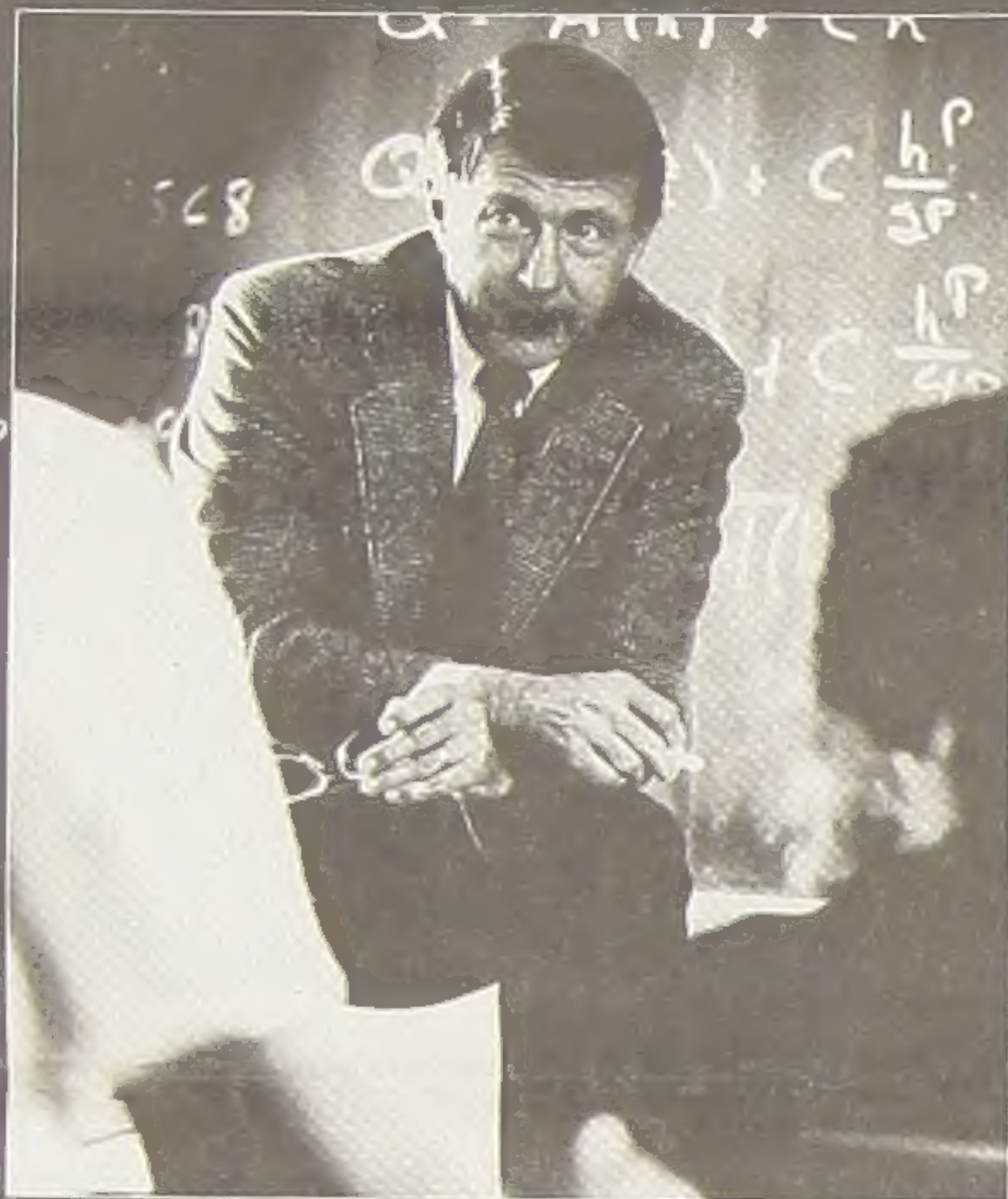
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